

Applicants: John R. Coffee et al.
Serial No.: 09/659,850
Filed: September 11, 2000
Page 21

D. Remarks

Reconsideration in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-82 are pending in the application. Of these, claims 1, 22, 44, 59 and 66 are independent.

In the Office Action dated January 13, 2006, the Examiner rejected claims 52-54 and 56 under 35 USC §112 second paragraph as being allegedly indefinite stating that the term "mapping application" has no antecedent basis. Although applicant believes that claim 52 provides antecedent basis for "mapping application", (because claim 49 recites "mapping and text messaging applications" which therefore include both a mapping application and a text messaging application), claim 52 has been amended to expressly recite that the mapping and text messaging applications include a mapping application. Applicant requests withdrawal of this rejection.

Claims 1-3, 5-15, 17-20, 22-24, 26-32, 39-42, 44-51, 55-57, 59-64, 66, 67, 70, 71, and 82 were rejected as allegedly anticipated by Bunn U.S. Patent No. 6,240,365. Claims 4, 16, 21, 25, 33-28, 43, 52-54, 58, 65, 68, 69 and 72-81 were rejected as being allegedly obvious over Bunn.

Applicant's comments will be directed to independent claims 1, 22, 44, 59 and 66.

Applicant's claim 1 recites that a wireless gateway comprises location aware business logic. The business logic applies business logic to location information to enhance and automate business applications run by the enterprise user. The business logic provides a common interface and protocol for handling the location information, and for enabling the applications that follow that protocol to interface with the gateway to use the location information to trigger events or to tag events, messages or other data. Examples of such triggered events or tagged events include managing a work order, scheduling and dispatching, inventory tracking, vehicle maintenance and

Applicants: John R. Coffee et al.
Serial No.: 09/659,850
Filed: September 11, 2000
Page 22

text messaging. In other words, the claimed invention involves more than the reporting of the vehicle location. The business logic provides a common interface and protocol for handling the location information, and for enabling the applications that follow the protocol to interface with the gateway to use the location information to trigger events or to tag events, messages or other data.

The Bunn U.S. Patent No. 6,240,365 relates to a vehicle tracking system for tracking the location of a vehicle, such as a rental car, and for providing location information to the vehicle driver and to a central controller located at a headquarters location. The system also monitors operating parameters of the vehicle such as collision or impact damage, and may also receive credit card information from a card reader in the vehicle, and such information can be passed to the central controller. However, there is no disclosure in Bunn that the central controller or any other device provides business logic with a common interface and protocol for handling the location information, and for enabling the enhancement and automation of business applications that follow the protocol to interface with the gateway to trigger events or tag events messages or other data, such as managing a work order, scheduling and dispatching of a work vehicle at a work or job site, inventory tracking, vehicle maintenance and text messaging.

Claim 22 recites a method which tracks the system claim of claim 1 and recites the same operative features discussed in connection with claim 1 above. The Bunn reference does not disclose these features.

Claim 44 recites a system having among other things location aware core business logic for tying transportable assets and business applications (served over the Internet for processing data for managing the assets) together through a common set of protocols and interfaces for enabling the business application to use asset location data. Bunn does not disclose this feature.

Claim 59 recites use of location aware core business logic for tying transportable assets and business applications together through a common set of protocols and interfaces. The Bunn reference does not disclose this feature.

Applicants: John R. Coffee et al.
Serial No.: 09/659,850
Filed: September 11, 2000
Page 23

Claim 66 recites a method of communicating between a business enterprise and remote mobile assets including use of a common interface and protocol for communicating location based information between wireless devices of remote mobile assets and the business enterprise with location aware business logic to enable the business application that follow the protocol to interface with the wireless gateway. The Bunn reference does not disclose this feature.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the prior art rejections based on the Bunn reference, and allowance of the independent claims, as well as the claims dependent thereon.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invites the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

Other than the three month extension fee of \$1020 for a large entity, payment for which is enclosed, no other fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Amendment. However, if any other fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



William E. Pelton
Registration No. 25,702
Peter J. Phillips
Registration No. 29,691
Attorneys for Applicants
Cooper & Dunham LLP
1185 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10036
(212) 278-0400

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



7/13/06
Peter J. Phillips (Reg. No. 29,691) Date